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1. THE DEMIREL GOVERNMENT WON THE FIRST NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
VOTE ON THE BUDGET FEBRUARY 17, 233-189. FOLLOWING THIS
APPROVAL OF THE OVERALL BUDGET, THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
WILL NOW TAKE CONSIDERATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL MINISTRY
BUDGETS BEFORE THE FINAL BUDGET VOTE, WHICH MUST BE PRIOR
TO MARCH 1.

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2. DURING THE BUDGET DEBATES FEBRUARY 16-17, BOTH PRIMIN
DEMIREL AND REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP) CHAIRMAN
ECEVIT DISCUSSED THE TOPIC OF EARLY ELECTIONS:
A. ECEVIT STATED THAT "TWO YEARS AGO WE ASKED FOR
EARLY ELECTIONS, YOU (THE JUSTICE PARTY) RAN FROM THEM;
SAY (THAT) ELECTIONS (WILL BE) TWO MONTHS FROM NOW AND WE
WON'T RUN AWAY."

B. DEMIREL, RESPONDING TO ECEVIT, STATED "WE ARE ALWAYS READY FOR EARLY ELECTIONS. THE RPP SAYS EARLY ELECTIONS, BUT WHY DOES IT NOT PRESENT AN EARLY ELECTION PROPOSAL (RATHER THAN) WAITING FOR ONE FROM US? WHY DON'T YOU PRESENT IT? PRESENT IT AND LET US SEE."

3. COMMENT: DESPITE THESE INDICATIONS OF GROWING INTEREST BY THE LEADERS OF THE TWO MAJOR PARTIES IN EARLY ELECTIONS, OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS AND OTHER POLITICAL OBSERVERS OVER THE LAST WEEK CONTINUE TO REFLECT DIVIDED OPINION WITHIN THE PARTIES OVER THE PROSPECT. DIFFICULT PROCEDURAL AND PRAGMATIC OBSTACLES TO THE REALIZATION OF EARLY ELECTIONS STILL REMAIN, AS WE HAVE POINTED OUT (REFS. B AND C), YET THE IDEA OF EARLY ELECTIONS IS DEVELOPING AND GAINING MOMENTUM. AT THIS MOMENT THE CHANCES SEEM TOO CLOSE TO CALL. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE QUESTION WILL NOT BE SETTLED UNTIL AFTER THE PARLIAMENT MEETS THE MARCH 1 DEADLINE FOR PASSING THE BUDGET. AFTER THAT DATE, ACCORDING TO A TOP-LEVEL JP CONTACT, THE JP WILL SEEK AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RPP FOR EARLY ELECTIONS AND TO THAT END WOULD, IF NECESSARY, ACCEPT THE BREAKUP OF THE COALITION, SINCE THE SMALLER PARTIES OPPOSE EARLY ELECTIONS,8
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